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I WILL BUILD MY HOUSE

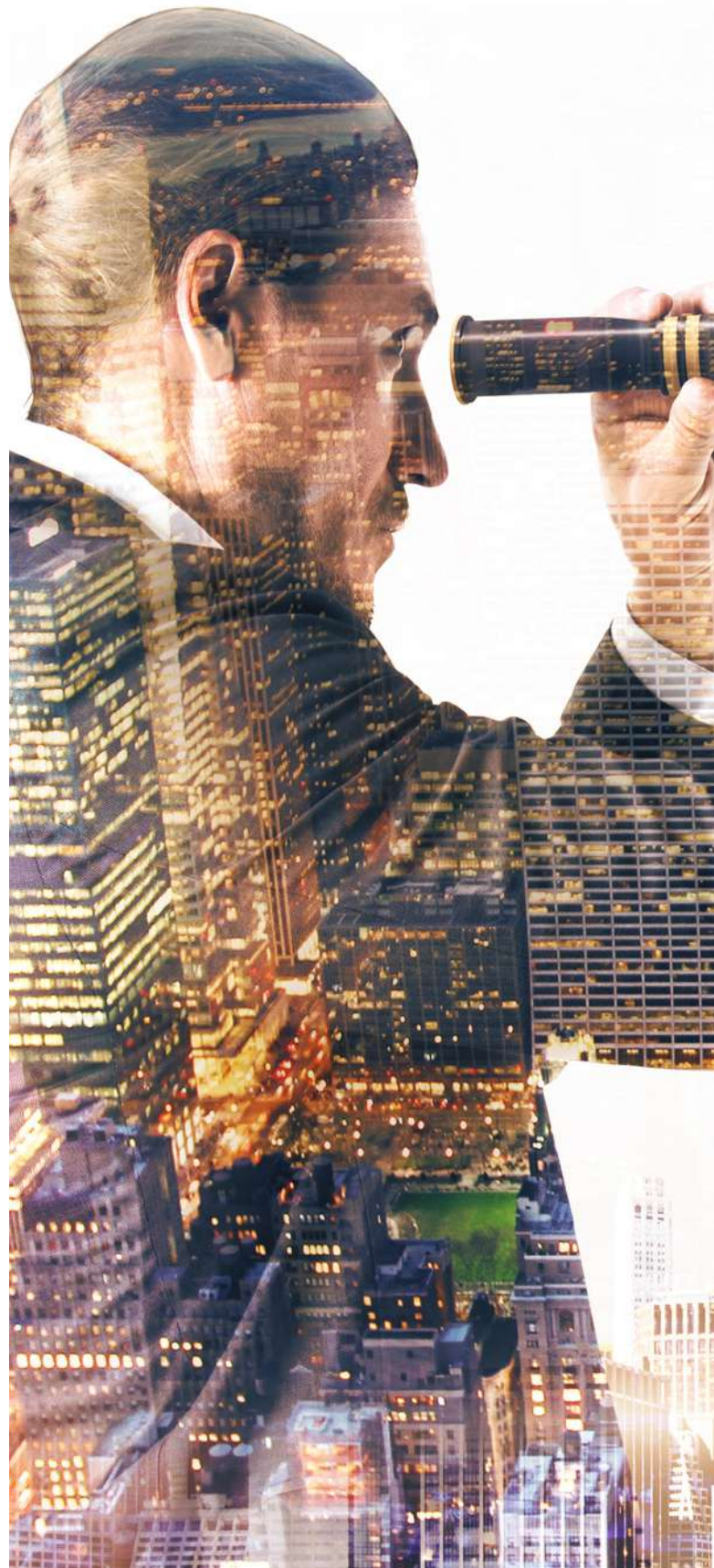
No one alive today needs to be told that everything in our lives is undergoing change, nor to be reminded that not all of these changes which are occurring in our world are for the good. But they nevertheless provide a path forward to a new birth of the kingdom of God here on earth. Yeshua is returning to govern the earth! He is prepared to save our people Israel and harvest the nations.

In recent years, I have shared regularly about how everything is being shaken. Nations, governments, and the congregations of God's people as well as all other institutions are being tested for God's own purposes. Today more than ever, we need God to clear away those things in our lives that do not produce life so that Yeshua might invest Himself in us in a deeper way.

That purpose is to demonstrate to us what can be relied upon and what cannot be relied upon. What remains will be that which is born of the Spirit or has integrity (and ultimately can be restored). These things can be built upon! The Lord has given over the past two generations a vision for the new order, and this new order can only be built on the eternal foundation of Yeshua Himself.

In Heb. 12:25-29, we are given a clear picture of what is happening in the world today:

"See to it that you do not refuse him who is speaking, for if those did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape who turn away from him who warns from heaven. "And His voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth, but also heaven.' "This expression, 'Yet once more,' denotes the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of created things, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. "Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe," "for our God is a consuming fire."





This is echoed in I Cor. 3:11-15 stating,

For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Yeshua the Messiah. "Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, "each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work. "If any man's work which he has built remains, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he shall suffer loss, but he himself shall be safe as (passing) through fire.

The main reason we are here—and for the work God is doing in us—is so we can be conformed to the image of His Son and abide in Him. We are Yeshua's disciples if we take up our cross and follow after Him. (Matt. 16:24) We must lay down our stubborn self-will and obey His Word. Through this, what we become is the most important work in our lives!

Since we have received a kingdom that cannot be shaken, we must offer to God acceptable service with an attitude of thanksgiving. This is the poise of our souls as we go about the business of living. The joy produced well represents to everyone what it's like to live in the fear of God. So, what is this acceptable service to which we are called?

As we are conformed to the image of Messiah and walk with Him, our works become His works. We can learn to be led by the Holy Spirit. (Rom. 8:14) We can learn to walk (live) in the Spirit. We can cultivate living in the conscious presence of God. Both of these take careful cultivation and the rejection of living by the worldly standards around us and a denial of our old nature. As we take up our cross, seek God and are led by the Spirit, we are able to offer to God “acceptable service.” These are the “works” of faith that operate by love. These are the “works” that will not be burned up.

We know that His works will remain through what’s coming on the world to test the works of men. Let’s make every effort to be among those whose works remain. *“If any man’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire”* (1 Cor. 3:15).

We can and must continue to press on to build after the biblical model. Yeshua must be head (Eph. 1:22), directing the building. Kehilot (communities), “churches” and institutions can be good and do good works, including those which God prescribes, such as regularly sharing the good news, taking care of the poor and teaching His ways. If these works are done for the Lord but not with Him actually directing the building, they are still His, but they will not stand the fire of His Presence.





With the shaking increasing in intensity and waves of powerful warning coming closer together, may we become aware of our failure to respond.

Our leaders must endeavor to disciple in the Word and model walking in the Spirit, including manifesting the gifts God has allotted to each. This ministry is not done primarily in large meetings on Shabbat, but is both intentional in smaller meetings and within the community. Real progress will require fresh approaches and hard work for all. This is a high ideal, but we must strive to see each one, for “... *each part must do its work.*”! (Eph. 4:7-16)

We have now reached the time when “*Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it.*” (Psa. 127:1a) We must look beyond what He was blessing yesterday to serve together in such a way that we can be used to build as He directs today. Let’s humble ourselves knowing that all of us must do our part. This is the requirement now for the salvation of Israel and final harvest.



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